



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
Attorney Docket No. 01-592  
3COM Case No. 3676.CS.US.P

In re the Application of:

Sanil Kumar Puthiyandyil et al.

Serial No.: 09/923,895

Confirmation No.: 2243

Filed: August 7, 2001

For: LOAD BALANCING BETWEEN  
LNSs USING VIRTUAL LNS WITH  
MINIMAL LAC CONFIGURATION

Group Art Unit: 2157

Examiner: Abdullahi Elmi Salad

Mail Stop AF  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of April 8, 2005, Applicants submit the following remarks that begin on page 2 of this paper.



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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Dear Sir:

In regard to the above identified application,

1. I am transmitting herewith the attached:
  - a) Response to Office Action; and
  - b) Return Receipt Postcard.
2. With respect to fees:
  - a) No fees are required.
  - b) Please charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account, No. 13-2490. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
3. CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR § 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the paper, as described in paragraph 1 hereinabove, are being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop AF, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on May 18, 2005.

Date: May 18, 2005

Respectfully submitted,

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